

# Champions Of The Environment Competition

The Champions of the Environment Competition is presented by the Waukesha County Land Resource Division. To enter any of (one or more) the five divisions, securely attach this form (xeroxed copies accepted) to the entry and send to Champions of the Environment Competition, 1320 Pewaukee Road, Room 260, Waukesha, WI 53188

Circle the division that you would like to enter: (Entries must be received by Friday, April 18, 2003.)

**POSTER   SPOKESPERSON   MIXED MEDIA DISPLAY   ENVIRONMENTAL WRITING   PROJECT**

Name ..... Grade .....

Home Address .....

City/Zip ..... Home Telephone .....

School.....

School Address ..... Teacher .....

City/Zip ..... School Telephone .....

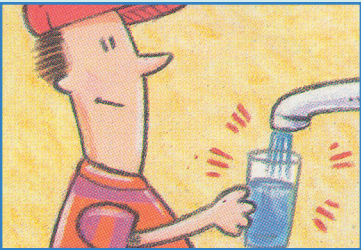
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Additional information can be found on the  
Groundwater Foundation website at [www.groundwater.org](http://www.groundwater.org)



In cities, groundwater is pumped, treated, and stored in large water tanks or towers.

Scientists who study groundwater and springs are called hydrogeologists.

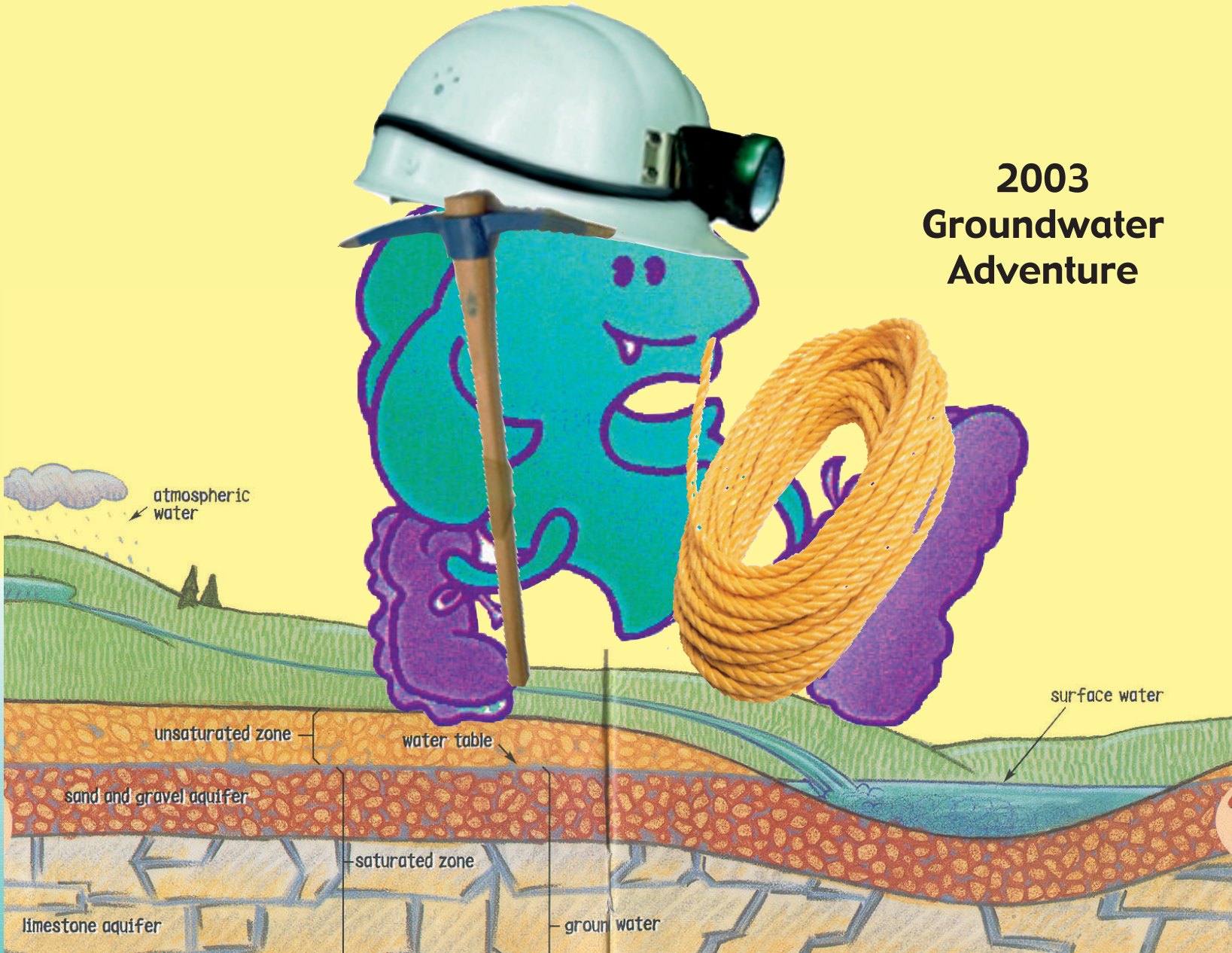


From storage stands, groundwater is distributed through pipes into your home where it finally flows into your glass.

# CHAMPIONS OF THE ENVIRONMENT

## FISH GUY GOES DOWN UNDER

**2003  
Groundwater  
Adventure**



**Waukesha County Land Resource Division**

*Recognizing Waukesha County's Outstanding Environmental Student Achievers*

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Wherever you live, water flowing on the earth's surface is "surface water," and water beneath the land is "underground water."

**Waukesha County's K-12th grade students** are invited to demonstrate their environmental knowledge during the third annual Waukesha County Champions of the Environment Competition.

The competition is sponsored by the Waukesha County Land Resource Division WATERWAUK Program.

If you are a teacher or youth educator, we would like for you to encourage your students to participate in this environmental recognition program. Show your concern by becoming actively involved in protecting our environment.

There are several ways this can be done. Champions of the Environment has five divisions of competition with awards given in each area. You may enter any or all of the divisions. These divisions are: Poster, Spokesperson, Mixed Media Display, Environmental Writing & Project.

The 2003 theme is **"Fish Guy Goes Down Under: A Groundwater Adventure."** All entries should be submitted to the Land Resource Division by Friday, April 18, 2003.

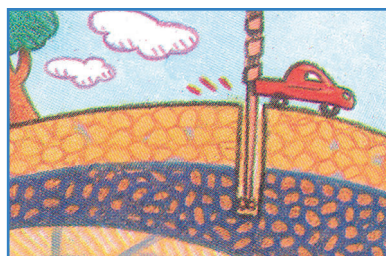
Everyone entering the competition will be rewarded. Each participant will receive a Champions of the Environment Certificate commending the student for his/her efforts. Medals and savings bonds will be awarded in each division for the top three finalists in each age category... \$100.00, \$75.00 and \$50.00 respectively. The Project Award is a cash award, not a savings bond. Age categories are grades K-2, 3-5, 6-8 and 9-12. First place Posters may be sent on to state contests.

*We reserve the right to withhold awards in any category based on the quality of submissions. Age categories may be adjusted based on total of entries.*

## General Rules —

1. All entries should focus on the 2003 groundwater topic, "Fish Guy Goes Down Under"
2. A completed registration form must be securely attached to the back of all entries. Do not put your name on the front.
3. Teachers should pre-judge and submit no more than six entries in each division per class. Enclose a class list, highlighting all students who have participated so that certificates can be prepared.
4. Entries may be mailed or hand delivered and must be received in the Waukesha County Land Resource Division by Friday, April 18, 2003.
5. All entries become the property of the Land Resource Division and will not be returned.

People all over the world use groundwater for drinking, watering crops, manufacturing products and producing energy.



Scientists locate groundwater by drilling into underground layers of sand, gravel, and other rock material.

## POSTER... Grades K-12

- The size of the poster is to be at least 18" x 24" and no larger than 22" x 28"
- Posters should be on tag board or equivalent material
- Any media may be used to create a flat effect. (Paint, crayon, colored pencil, charcoal, markers, ink, chalk or pastels)
- All artwork must be original

## SPOKESPERSON... Grades 3-12

- The participant will present a 3-5 minute commercial on groundwater
- Scenery & hand held props are permissible
- During the first week of May, the participant will present their commercial to a panel of judges for final selection. Please turn in the registration form by April 18 to secure a presentation time
- Winning commercials will be professionally filmed and run on cable to promote importance of groundwater

## MIXED MEDIA DISPLAY... Grades 3-12

- The size of the display is to be at least 18" x 24" and no larger than 22" x 28"
- Display should be on tag board or equivalent material
- Any media or a combination of media may be used (Original photos, scanned photos, computer art, cloth, foam, paper, etc.)
- All media must be securely mounted to the tag board.

## ENVIRONMENTAL WRITING... Grades 3-12

- Essays, poems, and fictional work will be accepted
- Your submission should be typed or neatly handwritten in ink and should be submitted on white paper, double spaced, one side only
- Poems should not exceed 32 lines in length
- Essays or fiction work should be approximately 500 words in length

## PROJECT... Grades K-12

- The Project may be an individual, team (five maximum) or classroom project conducted during the 02-03 school year to promote groundwater awareness and participation
- A typewritten entry will be submitted by April 18 and should include:
  - What were the goals and objectives and how were they achieved?
  - Who was involved in the project?
  - What did you learn?
  - What are the environmental benefits?
  - How can the project be used as an example for others?
- Graphs, videos and photo displays may be included
- During the first week of May, the individual, team or class will present their project to a panel for final selection
- The competition will be judged on the written report, presentation, creativity and results
- 9th through 12th grade student projects may also be eligible to win scholarships up to \$5,000 through the Be smart Scholarship Competition. Visit [www.besmart.org](http://www.besmart.org) for guidelines.

Every day in the United States, about 25 percent of all the fresh water we use is groundwater.

## Tips for a Good Entry—

- Decide what you want to share
- Stick to the topic, try to limit your effort to one main idea
- Authenticity and accuracy of information are very important!
- Think of a clever title or slogan
- Use appropriate drawings, photos or props to get your idea across
- Practice your commercial before presenting the final product
- Plan your work on a "sloppy copy" first... then transfer!
- Be sure that your words are carefully spaced and spelled correctly

## Judge it for yourself by asking these questions:

- What is my message?
- Is the message in keeping with the groundwater topic?
- Is the message clear and easily understood?
- Is the message brief and to the point?
- Does the title or slogan go with the design?
- Can the poster be easily read from ten feet away?

People have invented many machines to pump ground water—hand pumps, wind mills, and motorized pumps are used all over the world.

Groundwater comes to the surface either naturally through springs or is pumped from wells.

